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SUBJECT: GOA REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON GEOPOLITICAL
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1. AS EMBASSY AWARE, ADOD HAS SENT DOD REQUEST FOR
DETAILED ACCOUNT OF USG PUBLIC STATEMENTS ON GEOPOLITICAL
IMPACT OF LASER RESEARCH (REFTEL). IN LIEU OF DOD-DRAFTED
RESPONSE TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS, WE ARE SENDING SEPTTEL
PERTINENT EXCERPTS FROM RECENT DOD AND ACDA STATEMENTS
AND REPORTS ON LASERS AND PARTICLE BEAM TECHNOLOGY FROM
WHICH ADOD CAN COMPILE ITS OWN RESPONSE. MATERIAL IS
EXTRACTED FROM FOLLOWING, FULL TEXTS OF WHICH ARE BEING
POUCHED.

(A) STATEMENT ON THE (DOD) SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
PROGRAM BY DEPY UNDER SECY FOR RESEARCH AND ADVANCED
TECHNOLOGY DR. RUTH M. DAVIS BEFORE THE R AND D SUB-
COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE
MARCH 20, 1978.

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(B) FY 1979 R AND D PROGRAM - STATEMENT BY DARPA
DIRECTOR DR. ROBERT R. FOSSUM BEFORE R AND D SUBCOMMITTEE

OF SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE MARCH 9, 1978.

(C) 1979 DOD PROGRAM FOR RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND

ACQUISITION - STATEMENT BY HON. WILLIAM J. PERRY,
UNDERSECY OF DEFENSE (RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING) TO THE
US CONGRESS.

(D) ACDA FY 79 ARMS CONTROL IMPACT STATEMENTS -
SUBMITTED TO THE CONGRESS BY THE PRESIDENT PURSUANT TO
SECT 36 OF THE ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT ACT,
JUNE 1978.

2. PLEASE MAKE MATERIAL AVAILABLE TO ADOD WITH THE
SUGGESTION THAT THEY USE IT AS A BASIS FOR ANY
PARLIAMENTARY REPLIES THEY HAVE TO MAKE. (FYI.
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